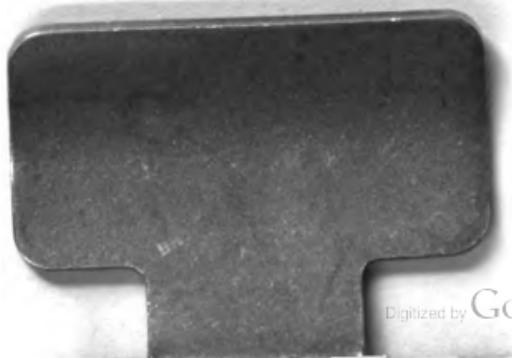

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UNLESS YE BE CONVERTED, AND BECOME AS LITTLE
CHILDREN, YE SHALL NOT ENTER INTO THE KING-
DOM OF HEAVEN.—*Mark xviii. 3.*



GUIDE TO DEVOTION.

Instructions
and
Devotions

for Morning
and
Evening.



As soon as you awake, make the sign  of the cross, saying :

GLORY be to the Father, who hath created me.

Glory be to the Son, who hath redeemed me.

Glory be to the Holy Ghost, who hath sanctified me.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

On rising from your bed, say :

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I arise. May he bless, preserve, and govern me, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

While you are dressing, occupy yourself with pious thoughts and meditations, on some point in the life or passion of your Saviour, on God's mercies, on your own sins, on the temptations of the world, on the shortness of life, on eternity, &c.; or say some psalm or hymn.

As soon as you are dressed, prepare to say your morning prayers. There is no duty of greater importance than this; none has greater influence upon our lives. According as it is well or ill performed will be the character of the day; and our life is made up of days. Before you begin your prayers, therefore, recollect yourself, and compose your mind. Think who you are, and what He is whom you are about to address; and endeavour to clothe yourself with those sentiments of humility, reverence, and awe, which become you on such an occasion, and at such a time. Then, kneeling down in the quietest and most retired spot you can find, if possible in some room or part of a room devoted to the purpose, begin your prayers.

Morning Prayers.

Make the sign of the cross, saying :

In the name of the  Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

Come, Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of thy Holy Spirit; grant us, in the same Spirit, to know what is right, and ever to rejoice in his consolation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Place yourself in the presence of God.

Most holy and adorable Trinity, one God in three persons, I believe that thou art here present; I adore thee with the deepest humility, and render to thee, with my whole heart, the homage which is due to thy sovereign majesty.

Thank God, and offer yourself to Him.

My God, I most humbly thank thee for all the favours thou hast bestowed upon me up to the present moment. I give thee thanks from the bottom of my heart that thou hast created me after thine own image and likeness, that thou hast redeemed me by the precious blood of thy dear Son, and

that thou hast preserved me and brought me safe to the beginning of another day. I offer to thee, O Lord, my whole being, and in particular all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings of this day. I consecrate them all to the glory of thy name, beseeching thee that through the infinite merits of Jesus Christ my Saviour they may all find acceptance in thy sight.

Resolve to avoid sin and to practise holiness.

Adorable Jesus, my Saviour and Master, model of all perfection, I resolve and will endeavour this day to imitate thy example, to be like thee, mild, humble, chaste, zealous, charitable, and resigned. I will strive to avoid those sins which I have heretofore committed (*here you may name any besetting sin*), and which I sincerely desire to forsake.

Implore the necessary graces.

O my God, thou knowest my weakness, and that I am unable to do any thing good without thee; deny me not, O God, the help of thy grace; give me strength to avoid every thing evil which thou forbiddest, and to practise the good which thou hast commanded; and enable me to bear patiently all the trials which it may please thee to send me.

PATER NOSTER.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

AVE MARIA.

Hail, Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

CREDO.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONFITEOR.

I confess to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly, in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

May Almighty God have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful Lord grant me  pardon, absolution, and remission of all my sins. Amen.

An Act of Faith.

O my God, I firmly believe all that thou hast revealed, and which the holy Catholic Church proposes to me to be believed, because thou art truth itself, which can neither deceive nor be deceived. In this faith I desire to live and die.

An Act of Hope.

O my God, relying on thy gracious promises, I hope, by the merits of Jesus Christ, for the pardon of my sins, grace to serve thee faithfully in this life by doing the good works which thou hast commanded, and eternal happiness in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

An Act of Love.

O my God, I love thee with my whole heart, and above all things, because thou art infinitely good in thyself and infinitely to be loved ; and for the love of thee I love my neighbour as myself.

An Act of Contrition.

O my God, I repent with my whole heart of having offended thee ; I detest my sins for the love of thee ; I firmly resolve never to offend thee again, and by the help of thy grace to avoid every occasion of sin.

O HOLIEST Virgin, Mother of my God, and my especial Patroness ! shew thyself my mother, and take me under thy protection this day.

Angel of God, who art my guardian, enlighten, guard, direct, and govern me, who have been committed to thee by the supernal clemency. Amen.

And ye, O holy saints (N N), my chosen and beloved patrons, intercede for me to God, that, by the guidance of his grace, I may love and praise him here; and hereafter, with you, behold his face for all eternity. Amen.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting; and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

[A Litany or Hymn, or any of the Prayers, p. 22, may be added.]

SALVE REGINA.

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy;
Our life, our sweetness, and our hope,
all hail.

To thee we cry, poor banished sons of
Eve;

To thee we sigh, weeping and mourning
in this vale of tears.

Therefore, O our Advocate,

Turn thou on us those merciful eyes of
thine;

And after this our exile, shew us
 The blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
 O merciful, O kind, O sweet Virgin
 Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the
 promises of Christ.

MEMORARE.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known, that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.* O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

On going into Church.

O Lord, in the multitude of thy mercies, I will enter into thy house, and praise thy holy name.

At taking Holy Water.

Purify my heart and lips, O Lord, that I may be worthy to offer up my prayers to thee.

* Here you may make your request.

GRACE BEFORE MEAT.

V. Bless us, O Lord, and these thy gifts, which of thy bounty we are about to receive; through Christ our Lord. *R.* Amen.

GRACE AFTER MEAT.

We give thee thanks, Almighty God, for all thy benefits; who livest and reignest, world without end. Amen.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to render to all who do us good, for thy name's sake, life everlasting. *R.* Amen.

THE ANGELUS.

To be said Morning, Noon, and Night.

I. The angel of the Lord announced unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

II. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail, Mary, &c.

III. And the word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

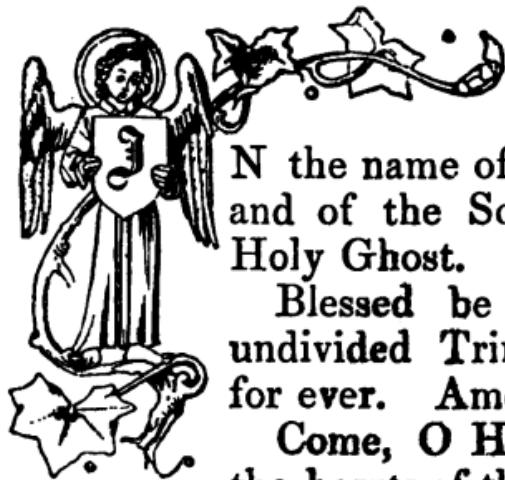
Hail, Mary, &c.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord,
thy grace into our hearts; that we, to
whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son
was made known by the message of an
angel, may, by his passion and cross, be
brought to the glory of his resurrection;
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.





Evening Prayers.



N the name of the **†** Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

Come, O Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of thy love.

Send forth thy Spirit, and they shall be created, and thou shalt renew the face of the earth.

Our Father. Hail Mary. I believe (*as before*, p. 9).

1. *Place yourself in the presence of God.*

O Almighty and eternal God, whose majesty filleth heaven and earth, I firmly believe that thou art here present; that

thy all-seeing eye is upon me ; that thou knowest all things, and art acquainted with the most secret thoughts of my heart. I desire to bow down all the powers of my soul to adore thee ; I desire to join my voice with all thy blessed angels and saints, to praise thee and glorify thee now and for ever.

2. *Give thanks.*

I most heartily thank thee, O Lord, for all thy mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and upon thy whole Church ; and particularly for those I have received from thee this day, in watching over me, and preserving me from the many evils and dangers to which I am exposed. [*Here pause, and meditate on God's mercies.*] Oh, let me never more be ungrateful unto thee, my God, who art so good and gracious unto me.

3. *Ask for light to discover your sins.*

And now, dear Lord, add this one blessing to the rest ; that I may clearly discover the sins which I have committed this day, by thought, word, and deed, or by any omission of any part of my duty to thee, to my neighbour, or to myself, that no part of my guilt may be hidden from my

own eyes, but that I may see my sins, and may hate them as I ought.

4. Daily Examination. See p. 52.

Examine your conscience, and consider where and in what company you have been this day. Call to mind the sins committed against God, your neighbour, or yourself.

5. An Act of Contrition.

O heavenly Father! I acknowledge and confess, and am heartily sorry for, all the sins of my past life, and of this day in particular. I grieve from the bottom of my heart that I have been so ungrateful to thee for thy benefits, and have so often offended thee, my God and my chief good. Spare me, I beseech thee, by the death and love of Jesus Christ thy Son; and mercifully forgive me whatsoever sins I have this day, or heretofore, committed against thee, my neighbour, or myself.

6. A Resolution of Amendment.

O Almighty God! I firmly resolve, here in thy presence, and before the whole company of heaven, to live henceforth in more strict obedience to thy commandments. I resolve to keep a closer watch over myself; to correct my evil habits; to attend

more diligently to my duties; to avoid more carefully all sin, and whatever may lead to it.

But without thy assistance, O Lord, there is no strength in man. Thou, therefore, who makest me to will that which is good, give me also the power to perform it. Grant that I may live a pious life in this world, and praise thee for ever with thy saints in the world to come. Accept, O Lord, this my evening sacrifice, and let it ascend as incense in thy sight.

O my good angel, whom God has appointed to be my guardian, enlighten and protect me, direct and govern me, this night. Amen.

O Lord, help us with thy grace when we are awake, and defend us by thy power while we are asleep; that, whether we wake or sleep, the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ may be with us.

Visit, we beseech thee, O Lord, this habitation, and drive far from it all snares of the enemy. Let thy holy angels dwell therein to preserve us in peace; and let thy blessing be always upon us, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Almighty God be our guar-

dian and our comforter ; may he keep far from us bad dreams and vain imaginations, and preserve us pure in body and soul.

We fly to thy refuge, O holy Mary, and we implore thy aid. Turn thine eyes of compassion upon us, thy children, and protect us this night. Be to us always our most loving mother, and pour down upon us thy maternal benediction, O blessed, O sweetest Mary !

O you, my holy patrons, and all ye saints of God, pray for us, and obtain for us a quiet night and a happy death.

Bless, O Lord, the repose I am about to take, that, my bodily strength being renewed, I may be the better enabled to serve thee.

And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

At our Evening Devotions.

Let us call to mind that death may surprise us this very night, and that the torments of hell are infinite and eternal. Let us endeavour so to lie down, so to take our rest, and so to rise, with the grace of God accompanying us through life, that, when death shall come, we may awake to everlasting joy.

While you are undressing, be careful to observe the strictest modesty, and always remember your Guardian Angel, who never leaves you.

Raise your thoughts to God, considering either the goodness of the Lord, the shortness of life, or the vanity of earthly things ; or you may say to yourselves : “ Time passes very quickly, and I am always drawing nearer to the grave. O my God, what will become of me if I continue to live as if I was not born for heaven ! Lord, enlighten my mind, give me strength to form generous resolutions, and enable me to save my soul.” Before going to sleep, do not forget to make these ejaculations :

“ Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul.

“ Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, assist me in my last agony.

“ Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, may I die in peace in your blessed arms.”

And then say, “ Into thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.” Endeavour, if you can, to fall asleep with these words on your lips. Many of the saints have ended their lives with this ejaculation. If you will imitate the saints, you will die like saints ; it is God himself who gives us this advice : “ This is the way, walk, ye in it.” (Is. xxx. 21.)



Additional Prayers.

A Prayer for Relations, Friends, &c.

VOUCHSAFE, O Lord, to grant grace, mercy, and life everlasting, to my parents, brothers, and sisters, and all my relations; as also to my godfathers and godmothers, my friends, and every other person for whom I am bound to pray, or who in any way stand in need of my prayers. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Scholar's Prayer.

Grant me, I most humbly beseech thee, O Lord, the grace of respect and obedience to my spiritual director, my master (or mistress), teachers, and those whom my parents or guardians have placed in authority over me. Grant me also, O Lord, a diligence in learning my lessons, and, above all, a watchfulness to avoid the conversation and company of all persons who offend thee by their wicked words or actions. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

To Jesus as an Infant.

I give thee thanks, most loving Jesus, because thou didst choose to veil the glories of thy divinity, and for our sake to become a little child, to be born in a poor stable of a poor mother, to be wrapt in mean clothes, and to be laid in a manger. Grant, dearest Jesus, that I may be like thee, humble and poor in spirit; and as thou wast obedient to thy Mother, the holy Virgin Mary, and to thy foster-father, the blessed St. Joseph, so I may be ever obedient to my earthly parents and teachers, for thy sake, who art my heavenly father and shepherd; that as I grow in age and stature, I may also grow day by day in wisdom and piety; and as thou, O my Saviour, didst choose while on earth to live in poverty, so I may ever be disposed to honour and love the poor, to treat them kindly, and to share with them whatever I may have. Give me, O Jesus, a mild, humble, loving, and compassionate spirit toward all men, striving in all things to imitate thy most perfect example. Hear this my prayer, O most merciful Saviour, I humbly beseech thee. Amen.

Prayer to Holy Mary.

O most blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of

my Saviour, and my Mother, I commend myself to thy gracious protection during this day (*or* night), and for the rest of my life, and especially at the hour of my death. Watch over me with thy merciful and loving eyes; and grant that by thy holy intercession I may be preserved from all the snares and temptations to which my tender age is exposed, and may grow up in the exercise of all those graces which thou lovest, and in the fear and love of thy Son Jesus, so that I may one day be admitted to thy blessed society, and to the company of saints and angels in heaven, there to enjoy the presence of my God and Saviour for ever. Amen.

An Offering of Oneself to the Blessed Virgin.

Most holy Virgin Mary, Mother of God, I, (—), desire to choose thee this day, in presence of my angel guardian, and of all the heavenly court, for my special patroness, my advocate, and my mother; I firmly resolve to love and serve thee, and to do all I can to induce others to love and serve thee also. I beseech thee, O my good and amiable mother, by the blood of thy Son shed for me, vouchsafe to receive me as thy child and thy perpetual servant:

assist me in all my thoughts, my words, and my actions, at all moments of my life, so that all my deeds and all my thoughts may be directed to the praise and glory of God; grant, by thy powerful intercession, that, having spent a holy life here on earth, I may be preserved from the dangers of eternal death, and may be conducted in safety to everlasting bliss. Amen.

Ejaculations.

O my God, teach me to love thee.

O my God, teach me to pray.

O my God, keep me from sin.

O my God, what wouldest thou have me do?

Lord, teach me wisdom.

My God, I love thee, and I love thee with all my heart.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, be a mother to me.

Mother of Christ, I take you for my mother.

Mother of divine grace, make me your child.

During the course of the day make these short ejaculations, and especially when tempted. Do you wish not to sin? Prepare yourselves for temptations, watch, fly, pray. Watch over your mind, over your heart, over your senses; set a guard upon your eyes and upon your ears,

which are as the doors through which sin enters the soul. Fly the occasions of sin, bad companions, and the reading of bad books: never expose yourselves willingly to temptation. Always remember the presence of God, and thus you will be in a condition to conquer, and to merit the crown of glory. "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation, for, when he hath been proved, he shall receive the crown of life."

Prayers for the Dead.

Ps. cxxix. *De profundis.*

1. Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.
2. Oh, let thine ears consider well: the voice of my supplication.
3. If thou, O Lord, shalt mark iniquities: Lord, who shall abide it?
4. For with thee there is propitiation: and because of thy law I have waited for thee, O Lord.
5. My soul hath waited on his word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.
6. From the morning watch even until night: let Israel hope in the Lord.
7. For with the Lord there is mercy: and with him plenteous redemption.
8. And he shall redeem Israel: from all his iniquities.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

V. May they rest in peace. *R.* Amen.

V. From the gate of hell,

R. Deliver their souls, O Lord.

V. O Lord, hear my prayer,

R. And let my cry come unto thee.

Let us pray.

O God, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of thy servants departed the remission of all their sins; that, through pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always desired: who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

V. Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord.

R. And let perpetual light shine upon them.

O God, bountiful in forgiving, and lovingly desirous of man's salvation, we humbly beseech thy mercy in behalf of our friends, relations, and benefactors, who have passed from this world, that, through the intercession of blessed Mary ever virgin and all the saints, thou wouldest permit them to come to the full participation of everlasting happiness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.





Devotions for Mass.

¶ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

*At the beginning of the Mass, the priest, at the foot of the altar, makes the sign of the cross, saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen;" and then recites with the clerk the 42d Psalm, "Judica me, Deus, &c.—Judge me, O God."

A Prayer at the beginning of the Mass.

I adore thee, O my God, and I firmly believe that the Mass, at which I am going to assist, is the sacrifice of the body and blood of thy Son Christ Jesus, my Saviour. Oh, grant that I may assist at it with the attention, reverence, and awe due to such a holy mystery; and grant that, by the merits of the Victim there offered for me, I myself may become an agreeable sacri-

* These explanations may be passed over by young children; but they will be found useful for others.

fice to thee, who livest and reignest with the same Son and Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

Then the priest, bowing down, says the *Confiteor*, "I confess to Almighty God," &c., p. 10, by way of a general confession to God, to the whole court of heaven, and to all the faithful then present, of his sins and unworthiness; and to beg their prayers to God for him. And the clerk, in the name of the people, prays for the priest, that God would have mercy on him, and forgive him his sins, and bring him to everlasting life. Then, in the name of all there present, the clerk makes the like general confession to God, to the whole court of heaven, and to the priest, and begs his prayers. And the priest prays to God to shew mercy to all his people, and to grant them pardon, absolution, and remission of all their sins. Which is done to the end that both priest and people may put themselves in a penitential spirit, in order to assist worthily at this divine sacrifice.

A Prayer at the Confiteor.

O my God, I bow down myself before thee, confessing that I have many ways offended thee in thought, word, and deed; and that I am not worthy of the many blessings thou bestowest upon me. Give me grace, O God, from this time to love thee more, and to do always what is pleasing in thy sight. O blessed Virgin Mary, and all ye saints and angels, vouchsafe to inter-

cede for me ; and may the almighty and merciful Lord grant to us all pardon and peace. Amen.

After the *Confiteor* the priest goes up to the altar, saying :

“Take away from us, we beseech thee, O Lord, our iniquities, that we may be worthy to enter with pure minds into the holy of holies, through Christ our Lord. Amen.”

Say the same with him : and when he kisses the altar, as a figure of Christ and the seat of the sacred mysteries, make an act of love of your divine Saviour, and embrace his feet with a humble and tender affection.

When the priest is come up to the altar, he goes to the book, and there reads what is called the Introit, or Entrance, of the Mass, which is different every day, and is generally a sentence taken out of the Scripture, with the first verse of one of the Psalms, and the “Glory be to the Father,” &c.

At the Introit.

O my God, direct my steps, I beseech thee, in the way of thy commandments, and grant that nothing may ever separate me from thy love.

Blessed are they that are undefiled in the way : that walk in the law of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

The priest returns to the middle of the altar, and says alternately with the clerk the "Kyrie eleison," or "Lord have mercy on us," which is said three times to God the Father; three times "Christe eleison," or "Christ have mercy on us," to God the Son; and three times again "Kyrie eleison" to God the Holy Ghost.

After the Kyrie eleison, say the "Gloria in excelsis," or "Glory to God on high," &c., which is a beautiful hymn and prayer to God, the beginning of which was sung by the angels at the birth of Christ.

The Gloria in excelsis.

Glory to God on high, and on earth
peace to men of good-will. We praise
thee, we bless thee, we adore thee, we
glorify thee. We give thee thanks for thy
great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King,
God the Father Almighty, O Lord Jesus
Christ, the only-begotten Son, O Lord
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
who takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us: thou who takest away
the sins of the world, hear our prayer:
thou who sittest at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us. For thou only
art holy, thou alone art the Lord, thou
only, O Jesus Christ, with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the
Father. Amen.

At the end of the “Gloria in excelsis” the priest kisses the altar, and, turning to the people, says, “Dominus vobiscum—The Lord be with you.” Answer, “Et cum spiritu tuo—And with thy spirit.” As often as this salutation is repeated, pray that our Lord may be always with you, with his ministers, and with his people, by directing and assisting all with his heavenly grace.

The priest then says, “Oremus—Let us pray,” and reads the Collects of the day, concluding them with the usual termination, “Per Dominum nostrum, &c.—Through our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.” with which the Church commonly concludes all her prayers. Whilst the priest is reading the collects you may thus join with him :

A Prayer at the Collects.

O almighty and eternal God, we humbly beseech thee mercifully to give ear to the prayers here offered thee by thy servant in the name of thy whole Church, and in behalf of us thy people. Accept them to the honour of thy name, and the good of our souls; and grant to us all mercy, grace, and salvation. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The collects being ended, the priest reads the epistle or lesson of the day. At the end of which the clerk answers, “Deo gratias—Thanks be to God,” namely, for the heavenly doctrine there delivered.

A Prayer at the Epistle.

O my God, I thank thee that thou hast called me to the knowledge of thy holy law, while so many of my fellow-creatures are left in darkness and ignorance. I desire to receive with all my heart thy divine commandments, and to hear with reverence the lessons which thou addressest to us by the mouth of thy prophets and apostles. Give me grace, O my God, not only to know thy will, but also to do it.

Then follow some sentences called the "Gradual," which vary every day.

At the Gradual.

How wonderful, O Lord, is thy name in the whole earth! I will bless thee, O Lord, at all times; thy praise shall ever be in my mouth. Be thou my God and Protector for ever; I will put my whole trust in thee.

After this the book is removed to the other, or gospel side of the altar. The priest, before he reads the gospel, stands a while bowing down before the middle of the altar, begging of God, in secret, to cleanse his heart and his lips, that he may be worthy to declare those heavenly words. You may at the same time ask of God that he would open your ears and heart, that these divine lessons may sink deeply into your soul.

At the beginning of the gospel the priest greets the people with the usual salutation, "Dominus vobiscum — The Lord be with you," and then tells out of which of the evangelists the gospel is taken, saying, "Sequentia S. Evangelii secundum," &c.; that is, "What follows is of the holy Gospel according to St.," &c., at which words both priest and people make the sign of the cross; first, upon their foreheads, to signify that they are not ashamed of the cross of Christ, and his doctrine; secondly, upon their mouths, to signify that they will ever profess it in their words; and thirdly, upon their breasts, to signify that they will always keep it in their hearts. The clerk answers, "Gloria tibi, Domine—Glory be to thee, O Lord." At the gospel you stand up, to declare, by that posture, your readiness to do whatsoever your Saviour commands. If you have not the convenience of reading it, you may say as follows:

At the Gospel.

O Jesus, thou hast the words of eternal life; teach me, I beseech thee, what I must do to merit and obtain that life.

"If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments.—Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart, and with thy whole soul, and with thy whole mind, and with thy whole strength.—Seek first the kingdom of God and his justice, and all other things shall be added unto you.—Be perfect, as your Father in heaven is perfect.—Love your neighbour as your-

self.—Love your enemies; do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that persecute you.—If any man will come after me, let him deny himself; let him take his cross and follow me.—Watch and pray, that you enter not into temptation.—Happy they who hear the word of God and keep it.”

O my Saviour, give me grace to lay to heart these and all thy holy precepts, and to practise them. What will it avail me to know the way of life, if I do not shew forth in my conduct that I am thy disciple. O Jesus, help me to believe in thee, to love thee, and to imitate thee.

At the end of the gospel the clerk answers, “*Laus tibi, Christe—Praise be to thee, O Christ.*” And the priest kisses the book in reverence to those sacred words which he has been reading out of it. Then, upon all Sundays, and many other festival-days, standing in the middle of the altar, he recites the Nicene Creed, kneeling down at these words, “*He was made man,*” in reverence to the great mystery of our Lord’s incarnation.

The Nicene Creed.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, born of the Father, before all ages;

God of God, Light of Light, true God of true God; begotten, not made; consubstantial to the Father; by whom all things were made. Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man. [*Here kneel.*] He was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; of whose kingdom there shall be no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who, together with the Father and the Son, is adored and glorified; who spake by the prophets. And one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then the priest turns to the people, and says, “*Dominus vobiscum—The Lord be with you.*” And having read in the book a verse or sentence of the Scripture, which is called the Offertory, and is every day different, he uncovers the chalice, and, taking in his hand the paten,

or little plate, offers up the bread to God ; then, going to the corner of the altar, he takes the wine and pours it into the chalice, and mingles with it a small quantity of water, in remembrance of the blood and water that issued out of our Saviour's side ; after which he returns to the middle of the altar, and offers up the chalice. During the Offertory you may pray thus :

A Prayer at the Offertory.

Accept, O eternal Father, this offering which is here made to thee by thy minister, in the name of us all here present, and of thy whole Church. It is as yet only bread and wine, but, by a miracle of thy power and grace, will shortly become the body and blood of thy beloved Son. He is our High Priest, and he is our Victim. With him and through him we desire to approach to thee this day, and by his hands to offer thee this sacrifice, for thine own honour, praise, and glory ; in thanksgiving for all thy benefits ; in satisfaction for all our sins, and for obtaining conversion for all unbelievers, and mercy, grace, and salvation for all thy faithful. And with this offering of thine only-begotten Son we offer ourselves to thee, begging that, through this sacrifice, we may be happily united to thee, and that nothing in life or death may ever separate us any

more from thee. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

After the offering of the chalice, the priest, bowing down, begs that this sacrifice, which he desires to offer with a contrite and humble heart, may find acceptance with God ; and, blessing the bread and wine with the sign of the cross, he invokes the Author of all sanctity to sanctify the offering. You may join with him, and say :

In a contrite heart and humble spirit may we be accepted by thee, O Lord ; and let our sacrifice be pleasing in thy sight, O Lord God.

Come, O almighty and eternal God, the sanctifier, and bless this sacrifice prepared for thy holy name.

At the end of the Offertory the priest goes to the corner of the altar and washes the tips of his fingers, to denote the cleanness and purity of soul with which we ought to approach to these divine mysteries, saying, “ Lavabo, &c.—I will wash my hands among the innocent, and I will compass thine altar, O Lord,” &c. (Ps. xxv. 6.)

A Prayer at the Lavabo, or washing the fingers.

O most pure and holy God, wash my soul, I beseech thee, from every stain, and grant that I may be worthy to assist with a clean heart at this most holy sacrifice.

A Prayer when the priest stands bowing down at the middle of the altar.

O most holy and adorable Trinity, vouchsafe to receive this our sacrifice in remembrance of our Saviour's passion, resurrection, and glorious ascension: and let those saints, whose memory we celebrate on earth, remember us before thy throne in heaven, and obtain mercy for us, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then the priest, kissing the altar, turns to the people and says, "Orate, fratres," &c., that is, "Brethren, pray that my sacrifice and yours may be made acceptable to God the Father Almighty." Pray, then, as he desires, and say:

Receive, O Lord, this sacrifice at the hands of thy minister, to the praise and glory of thine own name, for our benefit, and that of all thy holy Church.

Then the priest says, in a low voice, the prayers called *Secreta*, which are different every day. During which, you may pray as follows:

A Prayer at the Secreta.

Mercifully hear our prayers, O Lord, and graciously accept this oblation which we thy servants make to thee; and as we offer it to the honour of thy name, so may it be to us a means of obtaining thy

grace here, and life everlasting hereafter.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

The priest concludes the *Secreta* by saying aloud,
“Per omnia sæcula sæculorum,” “World
without end.” *Ans.* “Amen.” *Priest.* “Do-
minus vobiscum—The Lord be with you.”
Ans. “Et cum spiritu tuo—And with thy spirit.”
Priest. “Sursum corda—Lift up your hearts.”
Ans. “Habemus ad Dominum—We have lifted
them up to the Lord.” *Priest.* “Gratias aga-
mus Domino Deo nostro—Let us give thanks to
the Lord our God.” *Ans.* “Dignum et justum
est—It is meet and just.”

Then the priest recites the Preface (so called be-
cause it serves as an introduction to the Canon
of the Mass); in which unite your adorations
with those which the angels and the saints ren-
der to Jesus Christ in heaven.

At the Preface.

Let us lift ourselves up to heaven, O
my soul, and render thanks to the Lord our
God. How just is it, O holy Father, and
how reasonable, to glorify thee, to give
thee thanks, at all times and in all places,
as our benefactor and our God. Through
Jesus Christ, the angels and the virtues
of the heavens, the Cherubim and Se-
raphim, emulate each other in celebrat-
ing thy glory and singing thy praises.

May I, great God, unite my heart and voice with their celestial songs, and cry with them: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth. Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, and will shortly descend upon this altar.

After the Preface follows the Canon of the Mass, or the most sacred and solemn part of this divine service, which is read with a low voice.

A Prayer at the beginning of the Canon.

O Father of mercy, graciously receive this most holy sacrifice, which we offer to thee by the hands of thy priest, in union with that which thy beloved Son offered to thee on the cross. Look down on thy Christ, thy dearest and only-begotten Son, "in whom thou art always well pleased," and by the infinite merits of his incarnation, nativity, tears, labours, sufferings, and death, have mercy upon me, and upon all those for whom I ought to pray (*here name*), my parents, friends, benefactors, relations. I also beseech thee to defend, prosper, and extend thy holy Church, to pour down thy blessing upon our chief pastor the Pope, upon the Bishops and the priests. Give all those whom thou hast

called to the sacred ministry the spirit of knowledge, zeal, and piety, especially him (*or* them) whom thou hast set over us. Bless us all, O Lord; may we all know thee, may we all please thee perfectly, may we all love and glorify thee.

Then the priest extends his hands, according to the ancient ceremony of sacrifices, over the bread and wine, which are to be changed into the body and blood of Christ, and begs that God would accept of this oblation, which he makes in the name of the whole Church, and that he would grant us peace in this life, and eternal salvation in the next.

When the Priest spreads his hands over the Oblation.

[Here the bell is rung.]

Give ear, we beseech thee, O Lord, to the prayers of thy servant, who is here appointed to make this oblation in our behalf; and grant that it may obtain all those blessings which he asks for us.

The priest then proceeds to the consecration, first of the bread into the body of our Lord, and then of the wine into his blood; which consecration is made by Christ's own words, pronounced in his name and person by the priest, and is the most essential part of this sacrifice; because thereby the body and blood of Christ are really exhibited and presented to God, and Christ is mystically immolated.

At the consecration bow down your body and soul in solemn adoration. Make an act of faith in the real presence of your Saviour's body and blood, soul and divinity, under the sacramental veils. Offer your whole self to him, and through him to his Father. Beg that your heart and soul may be happily changed into him.

At the Elevation of the Host.

[Here the bell is rung thrice.]

Hail, Incarnate Word, sacrificed for me and all mankind! Hail, holy Victim, offered once for us upon the altar of the Cross, and still daily offered upon our altars to the end of time. I bless thee, I adore thee, I love thee. Oh, let not this sacrifice be offered for me in vain, but make me now and for ever wholly thine.

At the Elevation of the Chalice.

[Here also the bell is rung thrice.]

Hail, sacred Blood, flowing from the wounds of Jesus Christ, and washing away the sins of the world! Oh, cleanse, sanctify, and preserve my soul, that nothing may ever separate me from thee.

Then the priest proceeds to the Memento, or Commemoration of the Dead, saying :

At the Memento for the Dead.

I offer thee again, O Lord, this holy sacrifice of the body and blood of thy only Son, in behalf of the faithful departed, and in particular for the souls of [*here name those you wish to pray for*]. To these, O Lord, and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we beseech thee, a place of refreshment, light, and peace. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

After this Memento, or Commemoration of the Dead, the priest, raising his voice a little, and striking his breast, says, “Nobis quoque peccatoribus—And also to us sinners,” &c., humbly craving mercy and pardon for his sins, and to be admitted to some part and society with the apostles and martyrs, through Jesus Christ.

A Prayer at the Nobis quoque peccatoribus.

Be merciful to us sinners, O Lord, we beseech thee, and of thy great goodness grant us all pardon and peace. We ask this in the name of thy dear Son, who liveth and reigneth eternally with thee, and in that form of prayer which he himself hath taught us.

At the “Pater noster” join with the priest in that sacred prayer; and at the conclusion of it, beg with him to be delivered from all evils, past, present, and to come; and by the intercession of the Blessed Virgin, and all the saints, to be

secured from sin, and all disturbances, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread: and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. Amen.

After this the priest breaks the host over the chalice, in remembrance of Christ's body being broken for us upon the cross; and he puts a small particle of the host into the chalice, praying that the peace of the Lord may be always with us.

At the breaking of the host, say :

Thy body was broken, and thy blood was shed for us: grant that the commemoration of this holy mystery may obtain for us peace, and that those who receive it may find everlasting rest.

Then kneeling down, and rising up again, the priest says, "Agnus Dei," &c.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

The priest then says three short prayers, by way of preparation for receiving the blessed sacrament ; then kneeling down, and rising again, he takes up the host, and striking his breast, he says thrice, “ Domine, non sum dignus,” &c.

At the “ Domine, non sum dignus,” say thrice :

Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst enter under my roof ; but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.

If you do not yet communicate, say here :

Though I cannot now receive this sacrament, O most loving Jesus, I adore thee with a lively faith, who art present in this sacrament by virtue of thy infinite power, wisdom, and goodness. All my hope is in thee ; I love thee, O Lord, with all my heart, who hast so loved me ; and I desire to receive thee spiritually ; come, therefore, to me, O dear Lord, and fill my soul with thy presence ; and I beseech thee to prepare my soul for that happy time when I shall be permitted to approach thy altar, and partake of the bread of life ; deliver me from all sin, give me strength against my temptations, and make me always obedient to thy commands ; and let me never be separated from thee, my Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

After the Communion, the priest takes the ablution of wine and water into the chalice, in order to consume whatever may remain of the consecrated species. Then covering the chalice, he goes to the book, and reads a versicle of Holy Scripture called the Communion, after which he turns about to the people, with the usual salutation, "Dominus vobiscum," and returning to the book, reads the collects or prayers called the Post Communion. After which he again greets the people with "Dominus vobiscum ;" and gives them leave to depart with "Ite, missa est," the clerk answering, "Deo gratias—Thanks be to God."

Prayer during the Ablution.

I adore thy goodness, O gracious Lord, in admitting me to be present this day at that holy sacrifice, where thou art both priest and victim. Oh, make me always sensible of so great a blessing, and grant me a part in the fruits of thy death and passion.

At the Post Communion.

Most gracious God, Father of mercy, grant, I beseech thee, that this adorable sacrifice of the blessed body and blood of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, may obtain for us mercy, and the remission of all our sins. Amen.

The Gospel of St. John.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him ; and without him was made nothing that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men ; and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to give testimony of the light, that all men might believe through him. He was not the light, but was to give testimony of the light. That was the true light, which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, he gave them power to be made the sons of God ; to them that believe in his name, who are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And *the Word was made flesh* [*here kneel down*], and dwelt among us (and we saw his glory, the glory, as it were, of the only-begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth

Prayer after Mass.

I return thee most hearty thanks, O my God, through Jesus Christ thy Son, that thou hast been pleased to deliver him up to death for us, and to give us his body and blood, both as a sacrament and a sacrifice, in these holy mysteries, at which thou hast permitted me to assist this day. May all heaven and earth bless and praise thee for all thy mercies. Pardon me, O Lord, all the distractions and negligences which I have been guilty of this day in thy sight; and let me not depart without thy blessing. I desire from this moment to give up myself wholly into thy hands; and I beg that my thoughts, words, and actions may always tend to thy glory, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Prayer when preparing for First Communion.

O divine Jesus ! who when on earth didst receive children with the tenderness of a father, and didst command that they should not be forbidden to approach thy sacred person, I see that thou art in the holy Eucharist the same God of goodness and mercy ; and thou invitest me not only to approach thee, but to receive thy adorable body and blood. I rejoice to think that this happiness will soon be mine, and I bless thee for thy goodness in bestowing upon us, weak and sinful children, the most precious of all thy gifts. O my God, I beseech thee to prepare my soul by thy grace for so great a mystery ; and permit not, I most earnestly beseech thee, that I should receive unworthily. O Lord, I depend not upon myself, but upon thee alone, for avoiding so great an evil, and for acquiring all the dispositions necessary for receiving thee worthily. Give me grace to profit by all the advantages of religious instruction which I enjoy ; enable me, by a good confession, to purify my heart from every stain of sin ; and may my first communion be to me, and to all who are to receive with me, a happy pledge of our eternal union with thee in heaven.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CONFESSION.

Take time to examine your conscience before confession. Call on the Holy Spirit in the following prayer to assist you, and beg the grace of God to know your sins, and be heartily sorry for them.

O DIVINE Spirit of truth, enlighten my mind, and bring to my remembrance all the sins I have committed, and give me a true sorrow and contrition for them.

Examination of Conscience, in Form of Accusation.

Have I, through negligence, omitted to perform the whole of my last penance ?

Gone to school against my will ; come late through my own fault ; lost my time in laughing, talking, and playing ; hindered others from improving ; turned my thoughts to other things, when I should have listened to instruction ; not learned my lessons or catechisms, or learned them badly, or out of vanity, and not from a desire to please God and do my duty.

Omitted prayer morning or evening ; prayed to God out of mere custom, or because obliged ; prayed hastily, in a disrespectful posture, looking about me, without devotion, or sincerely desiring to ob-

tain what I prayed for, or even reflecting that I was speaking to God.

Wanted reverence in church; laughed, or spoken there without necessity, or made a noise, or slept.

Gone to church from a wrong motive, such as to meet friends, put on a new dress, &c.

Despised or been unkind to the poor—neglected to do good to my neighbour when I had the opportunity.

Taken the holy name of God in vain; not offered up my actions to God, nor done them with the intention of pleasing him; not been grateful for his blessings; not feared to displease him, but exposed myself to the danger of offending him.

Not been sorry for my sins, or laboured to correct my bad habits, or made endeavours to advance in piety; not been submissive to the will of God, or borne sickness or crosses with patience, and as the punishment of my sins.

Been selfish, studied my own interest, and been attentive only to gratify my own inclinations.

Been proud and vain, fond of pleasure and dress, and of being admired.

Been passionate, and cried with vexation when humbled, despised, or contradicted.

Been obstinate, disobeyed my parents, or those who have authority over me, or are charged with my education ; and, when forced to obey, have done it against my will ; made insolent answers, and not respected, but spoken ill of them, and despised their advice.

Been insupportable by my ill temper. Been wanting in kindness for my brothers or sisters, or companions ; not borne with their defects, or assisted them in their employments ; quarrelled with them, or with my companions ; told tales of them without necessity, out of revenge or pride, that I might be preferred before them.

Dwelt with pleasure on sinful thoughts ; looked at any thing indecent, such as pictures, &c. ; said, done, or consented to any thing contrary to modesty ; been curious to know evil ; listened to wicked discourse.

Eaten food to excess. Taken things belonging to others without their knowledge or consent. Coveted things belonging to my companions. Been unjust in my dealings with them—taken advantage of their ignorance, &c. Been selfish, or over fond of what I possessed, unwilling to allow a share to others. Considered riches as a great happiness.

Envied my brothers, sisters, or compa-

nions, when they were esteemed, praised, or enjoyed any advantage which I did not possess.

Not watched over my tongue—given way to slander or detraction. Told lies to excuse myself, or in boasting, or out of a bad habit. Exaggerated, or made false excuses.

Stolen or wantonly injured the property of others.

Partaken of the sins of others, by doing, approving, or laughing at them.

Remember that the priest holds the place of Jesus Christ : present yourself, therefore, at the confessional with the utmost recollection and humility, on your knees, yet with confidence and sincerity, like the sick who discover their disorders to their physician, and as children who speak to a kind and compassionate father. When the confessor makes the sign of the cross, then with great respect ask his blessing in a low but distinct voice, saying thus: "Pray, father, give me your blessing, for I have sinned." Then say the Confiteor, till you come to the words, "through my exceeding great fault;" stop, and say to your confessor, "It was (so long) since I came to confession, since which I accuse myself," &c.

Act of Contrition.

O merciful God ! I am sorry, from the bottom of my heart, for these, and all my other sins. It grieves me, that I have so offended thee. I implore thy clemency,

and humbly hope to receive thy pardon. I offer to thee, in satisfaction for all my sins, of thought, word, and deed, and especially those I have committed this day, the sacred merits of thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ. I firmly purpose never more wilfully to offend thee. I resolve, from this moment to endeavour to love and serve thee better than I have hitherto done. Confirm me in this good purpose, to the glory of thy holy name, and the eternal salvation of my soul. Amen.

Listen with submission and humility to your confessor, and answer him with truth and simplicity. When you have finished accusing yourself, say the rest of the Confiteor, p. 10. Then make an Act of Contrition.

Be particularly attentive to the penance imposed on you. Fulfil it as soon and as exactly as possible. Do not tell others, or listen to what they have told in confession. After confession, take time to reflect on your confessor's advice, and make a resolution to serve God with more fidelity in future. For that purpose say the Acts of Faith, Hope, and the Love of God, as in your Catechism, or at p. 10 of this book, and the following prayer for renewing your baptismal vows; but consider well, that it is not enough to recite these acts, unless we have in our hearts the sentiments they express; for it is not by the lips, but by the affections of the heart, that we can repent of our faults, or shew our faith, hope, love, and adoration to God.

A Thanksgiving after Confession.

I give thee thanks, O Lord Jesus, that thou hast been pleased to cleanse me from the stains of my sins. Blessed be thy Name, O Lord, who rejectest none that come unto thee with true repentance, but receivest them into thy favour, and numberest them with thy children. I acknowledge and adore thy mercy, and dedicate myself wholly to thy service hereafter. Oh, grant that for the time to come I may abhor sin more than death itself, and avoid all such occasions and companies as have unhappily brought me to it. This I resolve to do, by the aid of thy divine grace, without which I can do nothing. Grant, O Lord, that I may be able to keep these my resolutions, for without thee I am nothing but weakness and sin. Supply also, by thy mercy, whatever defects have been in this my confession, and give me grace to be now and always a true penitent, through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son. Amen.

A Prayer for renewing our Baptismal Vows.

I return thee thanks, O Almighty God, for having drawn me out of a state of dark-

ness into thine admirable light. I was, alas! dead in sin, and thou, who art rich in mercy, didst restore me to life in Jesus Christ; thou hast made me a partaker of the divine nature, by the infusion of thy Holy Spirit into my soul at the baptismal font, that, purified by thy grace, I might become thy heir, and inherit eternal life. O bountiful Father, how great is my obligation to love thee, who hast first given me such admirable proofs of thy love! I will therefore no longer love the world, nor that which it contains; but, having the happiness of being a member of Christ, I will crucify the flesh with all its evil inclinations. Grant, O heavenly Father, that I may always live by thy Spirit, and appear in thy sight as a child newly born in thy grace. Banish all kind of malice, pride, and deceit from my heart, that, anxious to feed on the pure spiritual milk of thy word, I may increase unto salvation. Oh, may I never grieve thy Holy Spirit by sin, but grant that, through thy grace, I may be ever fruitful in good works; so that, living in this world in a manner worthy of thee, I may at length obtain admittance into that kingdom of everlasting glory for which I was created. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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JESUS.

LORD have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Christ have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.
Lord have mercy upon us.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
God the Father of heaven,
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Ghost,

Hare, &c.

Holy Trinity, one God,
Jesus, Son of the living God,
Jesus, Splendour of the Father,
Jesus, Brightness of eternal light,
Jesus, King of glory,
Jesus, the Sun of justice,
Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary,
Jesus, most admirable,
Jesus, the mighty God,
Jesus, the Father of the world to come,
Jesus, the Angel of great counsel,
Jesus, most powerful,
Jesus, most patient,
Jesus, most obedient,
Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Jesus, Lover of chastity,
Jesus, our Beloved,
Jesus, the God of peace,
Jesus, the Author of life,
Jesus, the Example of all virtues,
Jesus, the zealous Lover of souls,
Jesus, our God,
Jesus, our Refuge,
Jesus, the Father of the poor,
Jesus, the Treasure of the faithful,
Jesus, the Good Shepherd,
Jesus, the true Light,
Jesus, the Eternal Wisdom,
Jesus, infinite Goodness,
Jesus, our Way and our Life,
Jesus, the Joy of Angels,
Jesus, the Master of the Apostles,
Jesus, the Teacher of the Evangelists,

Have mercy upon us.

Have, &c.

Lord Jesus, deliver us.

Jesus, the Strength of Martyrs,
 Jesus, the Light of Confessors,
 Jesus, the Purity of Virgins,
 Jesus, the Crown of all Saints,
 Be merciful.

Spare us, O Jesus.

Be merciful.

Graciously hear us, O Jesus.

From all sin,

From thy wrath,

From the snares of the devil,

From the spirit of fornication,

From everlasting death,

From neglect of thy inspirations,

Through the mystery of thy holy Incarnation,

Through thy Nativity,

Through thine Infancy,

Through thy most divine Life,

Through thy Labours,

Through thine Agony and Passion,

Through thy Cross and Dereliction,

Through thy Weariness and Faintness,

Through thy Death and Burial,

Through thy Resurrection,

Through thine Ascension,

Through thy Joys,

Through thy Glory,

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Spare us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Graciously hear us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us, O Jesus.

Jesus, hear us.

Jesus, graciously hear us.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast said, "Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you;" grant, we beseech thee, to us who ask the gift of thy divine love, that we may love thee with our whole heart, in word and work, and never cease from shewing forth thy praise.

O God, who hast appointed thine only-begotten Son the Saviour of mankind, and hast commanded that he should be called Jesus; mercifully grant, that we may enjoy in heaven the blessed vision of Him, whose holy Name we venerate upon earth. Through the same our Lord. Amen.



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Blessed
Virgin
Mary.

Ant. Sub tuum præ-sidium confugimus, nosトラ deprecations ne despicias in necessitatibus nostris; sed a periculis cunctis libera nos semper, Virgo glori- riosa et benedicta.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe eleison.

Christe eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Kyrie eleison.

Christe audi nos.

Christe exaudi nos.

Pater de cœlis Deus,

Fili Redemptor mun-di Deus,

Spiritus Sancte Deus,

Sancta Trinitas, unus Deus,

Ant. We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mo-ther of God, despise not our petitions in our ne-cessities; but deliver us always from all dan-gers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ hear us.

Christ graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven,

God the Son, Re-deemer of the world,

God the Holy Ghost,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Have mercy on us.

Miserere nobis.

Sancta Maria,
 Sancta Dei Genitrix, [ginum,
 Sancta Virgo virgine, [ginum,
 Mater Christi,
 Mater divinæ gratiæ,
 Mater purissima,
 Mater castissima,
 Mater inviolata,
 Mater intemerata,
 Mater amabilis,
 Mater admirabilis,
 Mater Creatoris,
 Mater Salvatoris,
 Virgo prudentissima,
 Virgo veneranda,
 Virgo prædicanda,
 Virgo potens,
 Virgo clemens,
 Virgo fidelis,
 Speculum justitiæ,
 Sedes sapientiæ,
 Causa nostræ lætitiaæ,
 Vas spirituale,
 Vas honorabile,
 Vas insigne devotionis,
 Rosa mystica,

Oratio pro nobis.

Holy Mary,
 Holy Mother of God,
 [gins,
 Holy Virgin of virgin,
 Mother of Christ,
 Mother of divine
 grace,
 Mother most pure,
 Mother most chaste,
 Mother inviolate,
 Mother undefiled,
 Mother most amiable,
 [able,
 Mother most admir-
 able, [owned,
 Mother of our Creator,
 [our,
 Mother of our Saviour,
 Virgin most prudent,
 Virgin most venerable,
 Virgin most re-
 Virgin most power-
 ful, [ful,
 Virgin most merciful,
 Virgin most faithful,
 Mirror of justice,
 Seat of wisdom,
 Cause of our joy,
 Spiritual Vessel,
 Vessel of honour,
 Singular Vessel of
 devotion,
 Mystical Rose,

Pray for us

Turris Davidica,	Tower of David,
Turris eburnea,	Tower of ivory,
Domus aurea,	House of gold,
Fœderis arca,	Ark of the covenant,
Janua cœli,	Gate of heaven,
Stella matutina,	Morning star,
Salus infirmorum,	Health of the sick,
Refugium peccato- rum, [rum, Consolatrix afflicto- rum,	Refuge of sinners, [flicted, Comforter of the af- Help of Christians,
Auxilium Christian- orum,	
Regina Angelorum,	Queen of Angels,
Regina Patriarcha- rum, [rum, Regina Propheta- rum, [rum, Regina Apostolorum, <i>Or pro nobis.</i>	Queen of Patriarchs, Queen of Prophets, Queen of Apostles, Queen of Martyrs,
Regina Martyrum,	
Regina Confesso- rum,	Queen of Confessors,
Regina Virginum,	Queen of Virgins,
Regina Sanctorum omnium,	Queen of all Saints,
Regina sine labe ori- ginali concepta,	Queen conceived without original sin,
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,
<i>Parce nobis, Domine.</i>	<i>Spare us, O Lord.</i>
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi,	Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Pray for us.

Exaudi nos, Domine. *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

Miserere nobis.

Have mercy on us.

Christe audi nos.

Christ hear us. [us.

Christe exaudi nos.

Christ graciously hear

Ant. Sub tuum præsidium, &c.

Ant. We fly to thy patronage, &c.

V. Ora pro nobis, sancta Dei Genitrix.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus Christi.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Gratiam tuam, quæsumus, Domine, mentibus nostris infunde: ut qui, Angelo nuntiante, Christi Filii tui Incarnationem cognovimus, per Passionem  ejus et Crucem ad Resurrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may, by his Passion  and Cross, be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

R. Amen.

V. Divinum auxilium maneat semper nobiscum.

V. May the divine assistance remain always with us.

R. Amen.

R. Amen.

Litany for Children.

LORD have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Christ have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Lord have mercy on us.

Jesus, almighty God,

Jesus, God of peace,

Jesus, lover of mankind,

Jesus, model of meekness and humility,

Jesus, model of innocence and simplicity,

Jesus, model of truth and sincerity,

Jesus, model of chastity and purity of heart,

Jesus, pattern of submission and obedience,

Jesus, pattern of mildness and gentleness,

Jesus, pattern of charity and goodwill to men,

Jesus, pattern of all virtues,

Be merciful, O **Jesus**, and spare us.

Be merciful, O Jesus, and hear us.

From all irreligion,

**From profane ridicule and contempt of what
is holy,**

**From the neglect of what we know to be our
duty,**

From carelessness in our devotions,

**From the neglect of thy calls and inspira-
tions,**

From lying, deceit, and hypocrisy,

Have mercy on us.

Lord Jesus, &c.

From disobedience to our parents and superiors,
 From stubbornness and obstinacy,
 From ingratitude to those who do us good,
 From all hatred and ill-will,
 From seeking revenge,
 From a heedless and unthinking life,
 From too great a love of ourselves and our own wills,
 From inattention to learning and the instructions of our superiors,
 From all loss of the valuable time of youth,
 We sinners, *Beseech thee hear us.*
 That we may love thee above all things, and our neighbour as ourselves,
 That our love of thee may shew itself in the observance of thy commandments,
 That the love of our neighbour may appear in always doing to him as we wish him to do to us,
 That we may be grateful to thee, the giver of all good gifts,
 That we may live soberly, justly, and godly ; and keep our thoughts free from all the defilements of sin,
 That our thoughts, words, and actions, may be directed to thee, who art the author of life here, and happiness hereafter,
 That we may make a good use of our advantages, by seeking instruction, loving our prayers, our learning, and all other duties,
 That we may hate idleness, as the source of much wickedness,

Lord Jesus, deliver us.

We beseech thee, hear us.

That the spirit of mildness and gentleness
 may appear in all our actions,
 That we may bear with others' failings, as we
 wish them to bear with our own,
 That we may live together as brothers, chil-
 dren of the same Father, and looking for
 the blessed hope, and coming of thee, our
 Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the
 world, *Spare us, O Lord Jesus.*
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the
 world, *Hear us, O Lord Jesus.*
 Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the
 world, *Have mercy on us, O Lord Jesus.*
 Christ Jesus, hear us.
Christ Jesus, graciously hear us.

We beseech, &c.

Let us pray.

O Jesus, our merciful Redeemer, who didst call children to thee, didst embrace them, and give them thy blessing, give thy blessing to us also, we beseech thee, this day, and through the course of our lives. Grant that we may ever love thee above all things, and with our whole hearts ; that we may love our neighbour as ourselves, and ardently aspire after that happiness for which we were created.

Bless our parents, teachers, relations, and benefactors : preserve them from evil, and direct them to all good ; and grant that we may all meet together in thy eternal kingdom.
 Amen.



I.

HAIL, Queen of Heaven ! the Ocean Star !
Guide of the wanderer here below !
Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care,
Save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ ! Star of the Sea !
Pray for the wanderer, pray for me !

O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid,
We sinners make our prayers through thee ;
Remind thy Son that he has paid
The price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure ! Star of the Sea !
Pray for the sinner, pray for me !

Sojourners in this vale of tears,
To thee, blest advocate, we cry ;
Pity our sorrows, calm our fears,
And soothe with hope our misery.
Refuge in grief ! Star of the Sea !
Pray for the sorrowful, pray for me !

And now to him who reigns above,
In Godhead one, in persons three ;
The source of life, of grace, of love,
Homage we pay on bended knee ;
And thou, bright Queen ! Star of the Sea !
Pray for thy children, pray for me !

II.

JESU ! the very thought of thee
 With sweetness fills my breast ;
 But sweeter far thy face to see,
 And in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
 Nor can the memory find,
 A sweeter sound than thy blest name,
 O Saviour of mankind !

O hope of every contrite heart,
 O joy of all the meek,
 To those who fall how kind thou art !
 How good to those who seek !

But what to those who find ? ah ! this
 Nor tongue nor pen can shew :
 The love of Jesus, what it is,
 None but his lov'd ones know.

Jesu ! our only joy be thou,
 As thou our prize wilt be :
Jesu ! be thou our glory now,
 And through eternity.

Amen.

III.

Now with the fast-departing light,
 Maker of all ! we ask of thee,
 Of thy great mercy, through the night
 Our guardian and defence to be.

Far off let idle visions fly ;
 No phantom of the night molest ;
 Curb thou our raging enemy,
 That we in chaste repose may rest.

Father of mercies ! hear our cry :
 Hear us, O sole-begotten Son !
 Who, with the Holy Ghost most high,
 Reignest while endless ages run. **Amen.**

IV.

AGAIN the Sunday morn
Calls us to prayer and praise :
Waking our hearts to gratitude
With its enlivening rays.

But Christ yet brighter shone,
Quenching the morning beam ;
When triumphing from death he rose,
And rais'd us up with him.
When first the world sprang forth,
In majesty array'd,
And bath'd in streams of purest light ;—
What power was there displayed !

But oh ! what love—when Christ,
For our transgressions slain,
Was by th' eternal Father rais'd
For us to life again.

His new-created world
The mighty Maker view'd,
With thousand lovely tints adorn'd ;
And straight pronounc'd it good.

But oh, much more he joy'd
That self-same world to see,
Wash'd in the Lamb's all-saving Blood,
From its impurity.

Nature each day renews
Her beauty evermore ;
Whence to God's hidden Majesty
The soul is taught to soar.

But Christ, the Light of all,
The Father's image blest,
Gives us to see our God himself
In flesh made manifest.

Blest Trinity ! vouchsafe
That to thy guidance true,
What thou forbiddest, we may shun ;
What thou commandest, do.

V.

COME, O Creator Spirit blest !
 And in our souls take up thy rest ;
 Come, with thy grace and heavenly aid,
 To fill the hearts which thou hast made.

Great Paraclete ! to thee we cry,
 O highest gift of God most high !
 O fount of life ! O fire of love !
 And sweet anointing from above !

Thou in thy sevenfold gifts art known ;
 The finger of God's hand we own ;
 The promise of the Father thou !
 Who dost the tongue with pow'r endow.

Kindle our senses from above,
 And make our hearts o'erflow with love ;
 With patience firm, and virtue high,
 The weakness of our flesh supply.

Far from us drive the foe we dread,
 And grant us thy true peace instead ;
 So shall we not, with thee for guide,
 Turn from the path of life aside.

Oh, may thy grace on us bestow,
 The Father and the Son to know,
 And thee through endless times confess'd,
 Of both th' eternal Spirit blest.

All glory while the ages run
 Be to the Father, and the Son
 Who rose from death ; the same to thee,
 O Holy Ghost, eternally.

Amen.

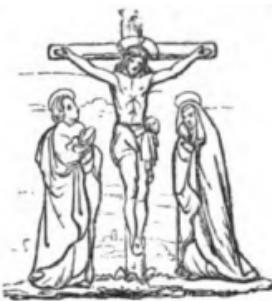


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WE BESEECH THEE, O LORD,

SAVE THY
SERVANTS,
WHOM

THOU
HAST
REDEEMED



WITH THY PRECIOUS BLOOD.

VI.

O'ERWHELM'D in depths of woe,
Upon the tree of scorn
Hangs the Redeemer of mankind,
With racking anguish torn.

See ! how the nails those hands
And feet so tender rend ;
See ! down his face, and neck, and breast,
His sacred Blood descend.

Come ! fall before his Cross
Who shed for us his blood ;
Who died the victim of pure love,
To make us sons of God.

Jesu ! all praise to thee,
Our joy and endless rest !
Be thou our guide while pilgrims here,
Our crown amid the blest.

Hymns at Benediction.

O salutaris.

O SALUTARIS Hostia,
Quæ coeli pandis ostium
Bella premunt hostilia,
Da robur, fer auxilium.

Uni trinoque Domino
Sit sempiterna gloria,
Qui vitam sine termino
Nobis donet in patria.

Amen.

O saving Victim, opening wide
The gate of heav'n to man below ! [side ;
Our foes press on from every
Thine aid supply, thy strength bestow.

To thy great name be endless praise,
Immortal Godhead, one in three ! [of days
Oh, grant us endless length
In our true native land with thee. Amen.

Tantum ergo.

TANTUM ergo Sacra-
mentum
Veneremur cernui :
Et antiquum documentum
Novo cedat ritui ;
Præstet fides supplemen-
tum
Sensuum defectui.

Genitori, Genitoque
Laus et jubiiatio,
Salus, honor, virtus quo-
que
Sit et benedictio :
Procedenti ab utroque
Compar sit laudatio.

Down in adoration falling,
Lo ! the sacred host we hail ;
Lo ! o'er ancient forms de-
parting, [vail ;
Newer rites of grace pre-
Faith for all defects sup-
plying [fail.
Where the feeble senses

To the everlasting Father
And the Son who reign on high,
With the Holy Ghost pro-
ceeding [nally,
Forth from each eter-
Be salvation, honour, bless-
ing, [jesty !
Might, and endless ma-



Jesus raises the Daughter of Jairus.**LUKE VIII. 49-56.**

AND there cometh one to the ruler of the synagogue, saying to him : Thy daughter is dead, trouble him not.

And Jesus hearing this word, answered the father of the maid : Fear not, believe only, and she shall be safe.

And when he was come to the house, he suffered not any man to go in with him, but Peter, and James, and John, and the father and mother of the maiden.

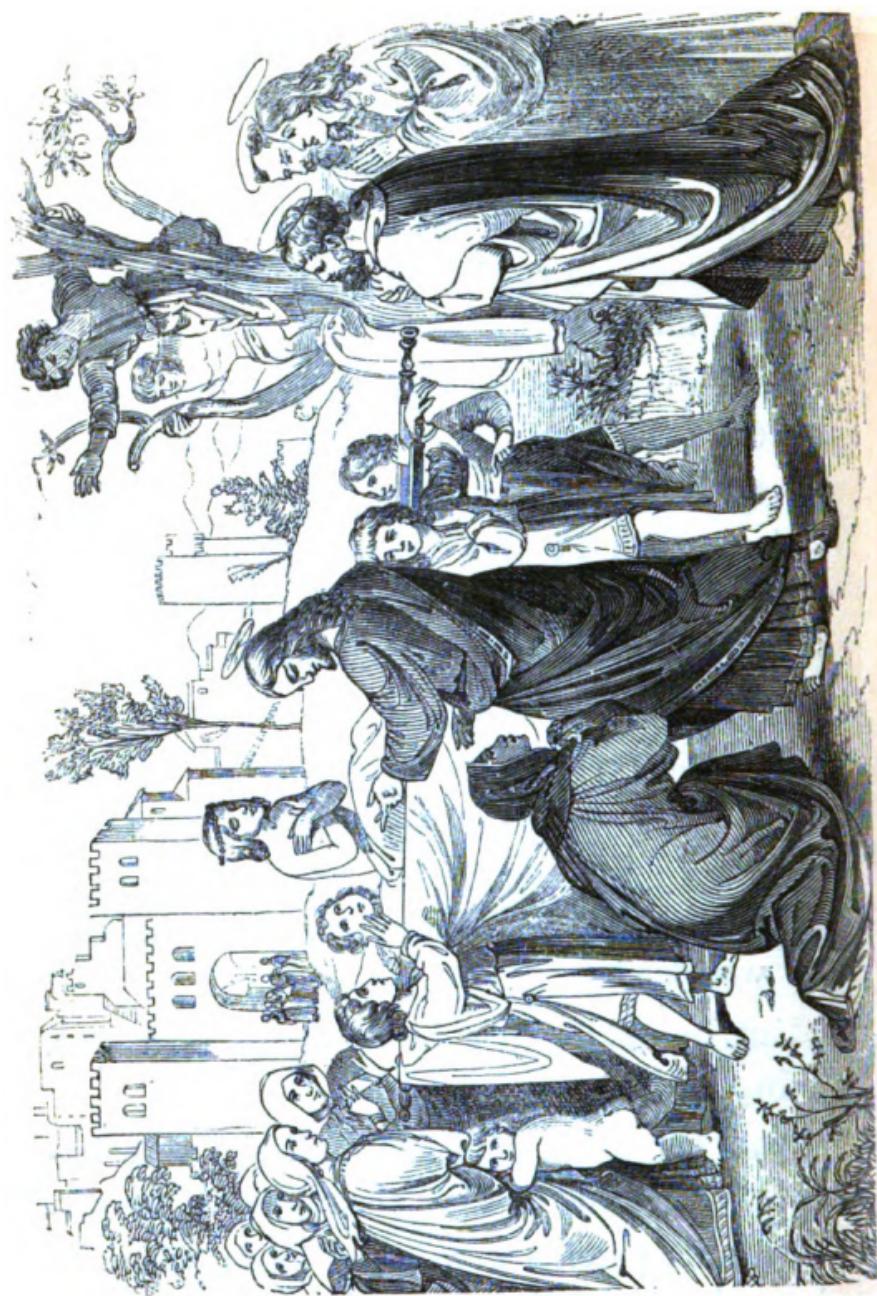
And all wept and mourned for her. But he said : Weep not, the maid is not dead, but sleepeth.

And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

But he, taking her by the hand, cried out, saying : Maid, arise.

And her spirit returned, and she rose immediately. And he bade them give her to eat.

And her parents were astonished ; whom he charged not to tell any one what had been done.



The Widow of Naim.**LUKE VII. 11-16.**

AND it came to pass that he went into a city called Naim : and there went with him his disciples, and a great multitude.

And when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was carried out, the only son of his mother ; and she was a widow : and a great multitude of the city was with her.

Whom when the Lord had seen, being moved with mercy towards her, he said to her : Weep not.

And he came near and touched the bier. And they that carried it stood still. And he said : Young man, I say to thee, arise.

And he that was dead, sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother.

And there came a fear on them all : and they glorified God, saying : A great prophet is risen up among us ; and God hath visited his people.

Jesus blesses Little Children.



MARK x. 13-16.

AND they brought to him young children, that he might touch them. And the disciples rebuked them that brought them.

And when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said to them: Suffer the little children to come to me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.

Amen I say to you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, shall not enter into it.

And embracing them, and laying his hands upon them, he blessed them.





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